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Application of: Nehls et al. Confirmation No: 9822

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Sir:

In accordance with Rule 116 of the Rules of Practice, please consider the remarks below responding to the final Office Action dated July 2, 2003. Reconsideration of the claims in light of the remarks that follow is kindly solicited. Applicants submit that the claims are in condition for allowance. Filed herewith are: (a) a Petition for Extension of Time for three months from October 2, 2003 up to and including January 2, 2004; and (b) a Notice of Appeal.